## IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings and versions of the claims in the present application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A gas generator comprising a first cup case 3 packing therein gas generant 2 to generate gas by burning, a squib 5 having a second cup case E arranged in an inside of the first cup case 3 and containing an ignition charge D, a squib case 7 having a hole 20 and covering the second cup case E, and a holder made of metal 6 to hold the squib case 7 and second cut cup case E by crimping,

wherein the holder 6 has <u>first and second</u> holes 13, 14 for allowing passage of electrode pins 11, 12 of the squib 5, one for each of the electrode pins 11, 12.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The gas generator according to Claim 1, wherein an area of the hole 13, 14 holes is in range of two times to ten times as large as a cross-section area of the electrode pin 11, 12.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The gas generator according to Claim 1, wherein the squib 5 comprises a second cup case E to contain contains the ignition charge D, a header closing plug B is inserted in and fitted in the second cup case E to shield house the ignition charge D in the second cup case E, the closing plug is mounted in the holder, and the electrode pins 11, 12 of two metal rods extending extend through the closing plug B and projecting project out therefrom,

wherein root portions of the respective electrode pins projecting from the closing plug are covered with respective projecting portions 19, 18 integrally formed with the closing plug B, and the projecting portions 19, 18 are inserted in the holes 13, 14, respectively.

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Claim 4 and 5 (Canceled)

Claim 6 (New): The gas generator according to claim 1, further comprising a tapered portion for allowing insertion of a header of said squib and for connection of a closing plug to the holder by crimping, a crimping lug for holding the closing plug of the squib by crimping, and a crimping lug for holding said first cup case by crimping and a bottom portion of the tapered portion, wherein the bottom portion has the holes for allowing passage of the electrode pins of the squib.

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